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## President and Dulles Meet 2 Hours Alone

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Back from a two-day "neighbor" meeting, President Eisenhower today held an unusual two-hour afternoon conference with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

Both Secretary Dulles and White House press secretary James C. Hagerty would say that only "State Department matters" were discussed. Mr. Hagerty volunteered that these matters "cover the world."

Both said there was no urgency connected with the conference, which had aroused unusual interest because earlier in the day it had been reported that it would be a meeting of not only the President and Mr. Dulles, but also top State Department advisers.

That the touchy Mid-East situation was discussed was not denied. The Israeli Ambassador, Abba S. Eban, saw Mr. Dulles at the latter's request, at 3:30 p. m. Mr. Dulles had returned from the White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., conference earlier than the President. The Ambassador was with the Secretary for twenty-five minutes.

At 4:30 p. m. Mr. Dulles went to the White House, being with the President alone, according to Mr. Hagerty — until he emerged, brushing off reporters

and photographers at a side entrance, at 6:30 p. m.

It was likewise obvious that the two discussed the new Russian receptiveness, exhibited at London Earlier today, to President Eisenhower's "open skies" atomic disarmament proposals.

In fact, except for United States-Canadian-Mexican affairs, which Mr. Eisenhower discussed with the heads of state of those two nations at White Sulphur Springs, it was clear that the range of the talks of necessity covered the whole world except North America.

Mr. Hagerty merely shrugged when asked if today's meeting had any connection with another widely publicized meeting the President had Saturday with Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, central intelligence director Allen W. Dulles, Deputy Secretary of State Herbert Hoover jr., Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Air Force Secretary Donald A. Quarles and Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Air Force Chief of Staff.

The conference, Mr. Dulles said, "covered the activities of the State Department, because there had been no chance to discuss the regular business" of that department with the President since Mr. Dulles returned from the Far East.

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